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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (currently amended): The system for evaluating survey information of claim $\underline{4}$ [[9]], wherein the graphical displays are selected by a user through the network.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A method for evaluating survey information for a medical enterprise comprising the steps of:

collecting, in advance, said survey information from a
 plurality of sources, said survey information
 including:

members of families of the patients, and employees of said medical enterprise,

physical assessment data representing physical
and/or mental capabilities of said patients,

medical outcome data about said patients,

clinical process data from said medical
 enterprise, and

cost data about costs of said medical enterprise;

- electronically maintaining a database <u>for storing said</u>

 <u>survey;</u> with data information <u>from a data</u>

 collection;
- a user selecting a measurement option from a list of a
 plurality of available measurement options
 displayed on a display device; and
- presenting survey assessment results to the user by performing the steps of:
 - electronically retrieving from the <u>survey</u>

 <u>information data collection the a subset of</u>

 <u>said survey information for calculating</u>

 <u>outputs based on the selected measurement</u>

 option,[[;]]
 - electronically performing calculations on the subset of information for generating said outputs,[[;]] and
 - electronically controlling [[a]] the display device to display a graphical report based on the selected measurement option using said outputs; [[,]]
 - wherein selecting the measurement option

 comprises selecting from among measurement

 options including an outcome measurement

 category, a management topic and a

 performance measure.
 - wherein said displayed graphical report presents

 at least four views for evaluating said

 enterprise, said at least four views

 including:

- clinical outcome graphical information about
 said medical enterprise operations
 calculated by utilizing some portion of
 said medical outcome data and/or said
 clinical process data,
- functional outcome graphical information
 about functional outcomes of said
 medical enterprise calculated by
 utilizing some portion of said physical
 assessment data,
- satisfaction outcome graphical information
 about satisfaction outcomes of said
 medical enterprise calculated by
 utilizing some portion of said
 satisfaction data, and
- cost outcome graphical information

 calculated by utilizing some portion of said cost data,
- information includes a plurality of
 mortality and morbidity measures of
 patients, wherein said functional outcome
 graphical information includes two or more
 of physical function, mental health, social
 function, and health status information of
 patients, wherein said satisfaction outcome
 graphical information includes one or both
 of satisfaction measures of patients and/or
 their families, and enterprise employees,
 and wherein said cost outcome graphical

information includes one or both of measures
of direct medical costs and indirect social
costs,

wherein a user choosing another measurement option

from said list of measurement options causes a

contemporaneous presenting of updated survey

assessment results by performing said retrieving,

performing calculations, and electronically

controlling steps with additional portions of

said survey data collected in advance.

Claim 5 (original): A method according to claim 4, wherein the graphical report is provided to a user through a network.

Claims 6-9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (new): The method according to claim 4, wherein said survey information is collected for a plurality of additional medical enterprises, and wherein said survey assessment results also presents graphical information using said at least four views for comparing said enterprise against at least a plurality of said additional medical enterprises.

Claim 11 (new): The method according to claim 10, wherein at least a portion of said survey information is collected over a computer network, and wherein said survey assessment results are provided to the display over the computer network.

Claim 12 (new): The method of claim 11, wherein said

collecting utilizes a drill-down technique for collecting at least a portion of said survey information.

Claim 13 (new): The method of claim 12, wherein said survey information includes verbatims.

Claim 14 (new): The method according to claim 4, wherein at least a portion of said survey information is collected over a computer network, and wherein said survey assessment results are provided to the display over the computer network.

Claim 15 (new): The method of claim 4, wherein said collecting utilizes a drill-down technique for collecting at least a portion of said survey information.

Claim 16 (new): The method of claim 4, wherein said survey information includes verbatims.

Claim 17 (new): A method for evaluating survey information of a business enterprise against a plurality of enterprises including said business enterprise, said method comprising the steps of:

collecting, in advance, said survey information from a plurality of sources, said survey information including:

satisfaction data from one or more of customers of said plurality of enterprises, members of families of the customers, and employees of said plurality of enterprises,

- assessment data provided by said customers

 representing customer status with respect to

 attributes related to services provided to

 said customers by one or more of said

 plurality of enterprises,
- results outcome data provided by said enterprises representing customer outcomes from services provided by one or more of said plurality of enterprises,
- enterprise process data about processes of said plurality of enterprises, and
- cost data about costs of each of said plurality of enterprises;
- electronically maintaining a database for storing said survey information;
- a user selecting a measurement option from a list of a plurality of available measurement options displayed on a display device; and
- presenting survey assessment results to a user by performing the steps of:
 - electronically retrieving from the survey
 information a subset of said survey
 information for calculating outputs based on
 the selected measurement option,
 - electronically performing calculations on the subset of information for generating said outputs, and
 - electronically controlling the display device to display a graphical report based on the

selected measurement option using said outputs;

wherein said displayed graphical report presents at least four views for evaluating said business enterprise against said plurality of enterprises, said at least four views including:

enterprise outcome graphical information
about outcomes of said business
enterprise services calculated by
utilizing some portion of said results
outcome data and/or said enterprise
process data, said functional outcome
graphical information for showing
effectiveness of services provided by
said business enterprise to its
customers,

functional outcome graphical information
about functional outcomes of said
business enterprise calculated by
utilizing some portion of said
assessment data, said functional
outcome graphical information for
determining a status of customers of
said business enterprise pertaining to
services provided to said customers by
said business enterprise,

satisfaction outcome graphical information calculated by utilizing some portion of said satisfaction data, said

satisfaction outcome graphical information for showing customer satisfaction with respect to services provided to customers of said business enterprise, and

cost outcome graphical information of said business enterprise calculated by utilizing some portion of said cost data,

wherein a user choosing another measurement option from said list of measurement options causes a contemporaneous presenting of updated survey assessment results by performing said electronically retrieving, electronically performing calculations, and electronically controlling steps with additional portions of said survey data collected in advance.

Claim 18 (new): A system for evaluating survey information for a medical enterprise comprising:

a survey collecting subsystem for collecting, in advance, said survey information from a plurality of sources, said survey information including:

satisfaction data from one or more of patients, members of families of the patients, and employees of said medical enterprise,

physical assessment data representing physical capabilities of said patients,

medical outcome data about said patients,

clinical process data from said medical enterprise, and

cost data about costs of said medical enterprise;

- a server for electronically maintaining a database for storing said survey information;
- a terminal for a user selecting a measurement option from a list of a plurality of available measurement options displayed on a display of said terminal, with the terminal also for presenting survey assessment results to the user using said display, wherein

said system further includes

- the server electronically retrieving from the survey information a subset of said survey information for calculating outputs based on the selected measurement option;
- the server electronically performing calculations on the subset of information for generating said outputs; and
- the server providing said outputs to the display device for displaying a graphical report based on the selected measurement option using said outputs,
- wherein said displayed graphical report presents at least four views for evaluating said enterprise, said at least four views including:
 - clinical outcome graphical information about clinical outcomes of said medical

enterprise calculated by utilizing some portion of said medical outcome data and/or said clinical process data,

functional outcome graphical information
about functional outcomes of said
medical enterprise calculated by
utilizing some portion of said physical
assessment data,

satisfaction outcome graphical information about satisfaction outcomes of said medical enterprise calculated by utilizing some portion of said satisfaction data, and

cost outcome graphical information calculated by utilizing some portion of said cost data,

wherein said clinical outcome graphical information includes a plurality of mortality and morbidity measures of patients, wherein said functional outcome graphical information includes a plurality of physical function, mental health, social function, and health status information of patients, wherein said satisfaction outcome graphical information includes one or both of satisfaction measures of patients and/or their families and enterprise employees, and wherein said cost outcome graphical information includes one or both of measures

of direct medical costs and indirect social costs,

wherein a user choosing another measurement option
from said list of measurement options causes a
contemporaneous presenting of updated survey
assessment results by performing said retrieving,
performing calculations, and electronically
controlling steps with additional portions of
said survey data collected in advance.

Claim 19 (new): The system of claim 18 wherein said server is remotely connected to said user terminal over a computer network.

Claim 20 (new): The system of claim 18, wherein said survey information is collected for a plurality of additional medical enterprises, and wherein said survey assessment results also presents graphical information using said at least four views for comparing said enterprise against at least a plurality of said additional medical enterprises.

Claim 21 (new): The system of claim 18, wherein said survey collecting subsystem utilizes a drill-down technique for collecting at least a portion of said survey information.

Claim 22 (new): The system of claim 21, wherein said survey information includes verbatims, at least a number of which are played for said user upon demand.